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In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, and more particularly in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97(c), Applicant cites the following references (each listed for the Examiner's convenience on the enclosed Form PTO-1449):

No.	Date of Publication	Patentee/Applicant/Assignee
5,105.179	04/14/1992	Smith
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A copy of each listed reference for which a copy is required under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(2) is also enclosed. Applicant respectfully solicits the Examiner's consideration of the listed references and entry respectfully solicits the examiner's application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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